Auction of shares of PSUs

*151. SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of shares of the six PSUs which were auctioned recently;

(b) what was the estimated amount mobilised from the sale of the shares of these PSUs and the amount targeted; and

(c) the steps taken to make up the deficiency?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SMT. KRISHNA SAHI): (a) and (b) 1367.585 lakh shares of six PSUs were offered for sale in January 1995. It is estimated that a sum of Rs. 388.66 crores (approximate) would be mobilised by sale of 458.20 lakh share of five PSUs. No target amount is fixed for individual round of disinvestment.

(c) Does not arise.

Paris Convention for protection of IPRs

*152. SHRI SANJAY DALMIA:
SHRI K. M. KHAN:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the World Intellectual Property Organisation (WIPO) has urged India to become a signatory to the Paris Convention for International Agreement for Protection of Intellectual Property Rights (IPRs);

(b) if so, the salient features of the final draft; and

(c) the reaction of Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI): (a) to (c) The Paris Convention is a Multilateral Treaty for the Protection of Industrial Property Rights relating to patents, trade marks, industrial designs, etc. As the treaty is administered by World Intellectual Property Organisation (WIPO) they have on some occasions in the past pointed out the advantages which will be available to India on acceeding to the Convention. However, no decisions have been taken on the issue.

Amount approved and invested by foreign investors

*153. SHRI T. VENKATRAM REDDY
SHRI G. PRATHAPA REDDY:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the amount approved and invested by foreign investors including NRIs in the country so far, State-wise;

(b) the share of Non-Resident Indians in this investment;

(c) the incentives given or being given to the foreign investors for establishing industry in the country; and

(d) the steps being taken by Government to attract more foreign investment particularly in the States having more poential in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI): (a) and (b) Details of foreign direct investment (including NRIs) approved and invested in the country during the period from

1991 to 1995 (upto January) are as below:—

Year	Amount Approved		Actual Inflow	
	Total	NRI	Total	NRI
	(Rs. in crores)			
1991	534·11	19·70	351·43	160·25
1992	3887·54	439·13	675·18	149 69
1993	8859·33	1043·32	1785·85	559·59
1994	14187·19	490 88	2971·65	1118·31
1995 (upto Jan.)	557·37	20·14	442·00	174·54

Details of state-wise break-up of foreign investment approved from 1-1-1993 to 31-1-1995 is attached at Statement (*See* below). Data prior to 1993 has not been centrally maintained.

State-wise details of actual foreign direct investment and NRI investment is not centrally maintained.

(c) and (d) The policy measures for attracting foreign investment are detailed in the Statement of Industrial Policy tabled in both Houses of Parliament on 24th July, 1991. Government constantly reviews the policy framework for foreign investment so as to make it increasingly investor-friendly and internationally competitive. The choice of location is left to the commercial judgment of the entrepreneur including foreign investors State Governments provide their own incentives and subsidies for attracting investments. The Government, however, supplements these efforts through the Growth Centre Scheme, tax holidays in backward areas and transport subsidy.

Statement

Statewise Break-up of Foreign Direct Investment approvals from 01-01-1993 *to* 31-01-1995

State	Investment Approved (Rs. in crores)
Maharashtra	5430·78
West Bengal	2925·75
Delhi	2624·37
Gujarat	1773·99
Tamil Nadu	1369·77
Andhra Pradesh	1116·84
Aadhya Pradesh	913·14

State	Investment Approved (Rs. in crores)
Orissa	814·08
Karnataka	523·06
Punjab	501·28
Rajasthan	335·01
Haryana	317·39
Uttar Pradesh	133·92
Pondicherry	113·40
Goa	82·06
Chandigarh	71·86
Bihar	70·97
Dadra & Nagar Haveli	36·24
Kerala	35·43
Himachal Pradesh	13·96
Arunachal Pradesh	11·06
Daman & Diu	5·48
Andaman & Nicobar	0·96
Assam	0·92
Tripura	0·68
Others (State not indicated)	4383·96
TOTAL	23606.36

Grading of private hospitals

*154. SHRI V. HANUMANTHA RAO: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been any effort to grade private hospitals in the country;

(b) whether it is a fact that grading and description of hospitals is widely accepted in other countries: and

(c) whether Government would initiate such a system in India?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. C. SILVERA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Information is being obtained and shall be laid on the table of the Sabha.

(c) There is no such proposal under consideration at present.